

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION  
NOVEMBER 4, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a work session on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Adult Literacy Center in Mount Vernon, Georgia. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson. The purpose of the work session was to discuss the following:

- Redistricting Plan
- Local legislation to establish Board of Elections & Registration
- Discuss Road Department Equipment
- Review motor grader lease bids
- Salary/Wage Plan
- 2022 Draft Budget
- Review agenda items for November's regular meeting

The Board reviewed three drafts of redistricting map plans. Mr. Pete Ward, a member of the Board of Education, attended the work session to review the plans concerning the district he represents.

The Board discussed motor grader lease bids with representatives from Caterpillar and John Deere. The Board discussed rebidding for a motor grader lease with longer terms.

Public Works Director Milton Fountain informed the Board the mulching head for the mower is in Macon. The dump truck is still in Texas because there are not any truck drivers to deliver the dump truck to the County. The International dump truck keeps breaking down when the motor gets hot and the part to repair it has not come in. The paving of Scarlett O'Hara is complete. The timber has been cut at the processing center. The pothole patching on Bear Creek is not holding up. The Board will ask Hooks Construction for a quote on patching the holes and a paving repair job at the Recreation Department. Mr. Fountain and the Board discussed installing driveway culverts, temporary drives, and water lines in the roads. The amnesty tire round-up will be held Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, December, 18<sup>th</sup> this year. Mr. Fountain will put up the Christmas decorations at the Courthouse the week before Thanksgiving.

The Board was given three examples of a bill to establish local legislation creating a Board of Elections and Registration.

The Board reviewed a pay scale plan.

The Board was given a draft of the 2022 budget to review.

The Board reviewed the November 2021 agenda.

The work session ended at 8:00 pm.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 8, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order.

The invocation was led by Commissioner Thomas, followed by the pledge to the flag.

The agenda was approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the October 7, 2021 work session were approved on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the October 11, 2021 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the October 11, 2021 special called meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously.

County Manager Brandon Braddy reported for Recreation Director Kendall Bennamon that all the fall sports will end this week and the Tri-County Jamboree on October 4<sup>th</sup> was a success. Winter basketball and cheer registration is now open.

Under Reports, Drew James from Toombs-Montgomery EMS reported there were 104 EMS calls in Montgomery County in October. Mr. James reported the EMS Youth Academy for ages 12-16 will begin next month.

County Works Director Milton Fountain reported the topic for the safety meeting held on October 28, 2021 was 'Workplace Safety' and there were eight employees in attendance. Mr. Fountain reported the rear end of the backhoe ran hot and was smoking.

The Board reviewed the financial reports.

Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of:

- Approving the Oconee Drug Task Force Contract.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under Old Business, on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Williamson the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 12-10-02) authorizing the approval and

execution of an equipment lease-purchase agreement for a new Kenworth dump truck with BankcorpSouth Equipment Finance. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Williamson the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 21-11-01) as the second adoption of the Speed Ordinance Amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 21-11-02) as the second adoption of the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board approved an amended Request For Proposal to purchase a new motor grader. Motion carried unanimously.

Under New Business, on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 21-11-03) to allocate proceeds received from the Insurance Premium Tax with \$129,000.00 funding rural fire services and \$249,753.70 funding solid waste disposal services. Motion carried unanimously.

After previously reviewing three different map plans for redistricting, Chairman Adams asked each Commissioner which of the plans they preferred. Commissioner Thomas preferred plan # 2; Commissioner Morris preferred plan #2; Commissioner Kenney preferred plan # 2; Commissioner Williamson preferred plan # 2; and Chairman Adams preferred plan # 2. On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 21-11-04) adopting redistricting plan # 2. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm on a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Williamson. Motion carried unanimously.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
NOVEMBER 18, 2021**

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a special called meeting on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss opioid litigation.

Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, and Tim Williamson.

The Board reviewed and discussed a recommendation from Attorney Andrew J. Hill III regarding the National Prescription Opiate Litigation. Some of the “Settling Defendants” reached separate settlement frameworks referred to as the National Distributor Settlement and the J&J Settlement. In order for the National Distributor and J&J Settlements to become effective, enough states and local government entities must agree to participate in the settlements. Plaintiff attorneys working on the case are recommending the adoption of a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) between the State of Georgia and Certain Local Government Entities. The purpose of the MOU is to

maximize the monetary recovery from the National Distributor and J&J Settlements to the State of Georgia and local government entities and to memorialize an agreement between the State of Georgia and certain Georgia local government entities regarding how settlement funds will be distributed intrastate before the State of Georgia officially joins the National Distributor and J&J Settlements. Mr. Hill believes agreeing to the MOU is in the County's best interests and in the best interests of Mr. Hill's clients. On a motion by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Kenney the Board agreed to sign a resolution (Res. No. 21-11-05) agreeing for Montgomery County to be bound by the MOU between the state of Georgia and certain local government entities concerning the national distributor and J&J settlements and directing the execution of the Acknowledgment and Agreement to be bound by the MOU, subdivision distributor settlement participation form and Janssen settlement participation form. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 pm on a motion by Chairman Adams, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.